FOE TAKES VILLAGE IN NEW AMIENS BLOW

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THE MOST DRAMATIC NAVAL ACHIEVEMENT OF THE WAR



A new portrait of Vice-Admiral R. J. B. Keyes, D.S.O., who is to be a K.C.B. in recognition of his distinguished services in command of the operations against Zeebrugge and Ostend.



The ferryboat Iris, which carried storming and demolition parties.



Wing Commander F. A. Brock, R.A.F., son of the Crystal Palace "firework king," responsible for the fog and smoke screen devices which covered the attacks, was killed during the fighting.



American tars are delighted to read of the raid.



Commander A. F. B. Carpenter, R.N., in command of Vindictive, has been promoted to captain.



A wounded marine who forgets his hurts in his satisfaction.



The Daffodil, one of the ferryboats which were used.

The attack on the enemy's "hornets' nests" at Ostend and Zeebrugge is only seen to be more and more brilliant as fresh news arrives. The operation is shown to have been daring almost to rashness, and that it should have had so large a measure of success is

a fine tribute to the supreme skill of those who carried it out. The words of the King's message—"The splendid gallantry displayed by all under exceptionally hazardous of cumstances fills me with pride and admiration"—will find an echo everywhere.

TWENTY YARDS GAP IN ZEEBRUGGE MOLE LED MENTILL KILLED. ARMY'S CALL TO THE

Blockship Chokes Most of Ostend Fairway!

BOMBING ATTACKS.

Admiral Keyes Knighted and Vindictive's Captain Promoted.

ADMIRALTY OFFICIAL.

Following the naval operation on the enemy's coast yesterday morning observa-tions were made by aircraft and bomb attacks carried out.

Observation was difficult owing to clouds, and on this account our machines descended as low as 50ft.

A clear break, twenty yards wide, was ob-served in the Zeebrugge Mole at its inner end. At Ostend a sunken object was seen lying between the piers and blocking the greater part of the fairway.

Numerous bombs were dropped on objectives on shore.

ZEEBRUGGE HONOURS.

The King has signified his approval of the promotion of Acting Vice-Admiral Roger J. B. Keyes, C.B., C.M.G., M.V.O., D.S.O., to be a Member of the Second Class, or Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath (Military Division), in recognition of his distinguished service in command of the opera-

tions against Zeebrugge and Ostend on Tuesday.

The Board of Admiralty have approved the promotion of Commander (Acting Captain) Alfred F. B. Carpenter, R.N., to captain, to date April 23, 1918, in recognition of his services in command of H.M.S. Vindictive

FIGHT ON THE MOLE.

The most connected and graphic story of the naval attack on Zeebrugge and Ostend was told yesterday by two officers of the Royal Marines. They proclaimed it to be "a damned desperate adventure carried out with daredevil dash and

courage."
"We were aboard the Vindictive, and we approached under cover of smoke clouds. There was a vertiable bank of smoke, which stretched from Zeebrugge to Ostend.
"When we steamed through the smoke cloud we got hell. There is no other expression to describe it. All our men were on deek, and the Germans shelled them rapidly for over twenty

BAYONET CHARGE.

"We carried on, but when we got alongside the Mole we found that out of fourteen prows or gangways for landing purposes, only two were of use. "There was no help for it but to swarm out by means of these two prows. We lost heavily, for the shellfire was something terrible. "Two German destroyers lay alongside the outer side of the mole. A number of German

FOOD LINE AND VICTORY.

Farmers would hold the food line and so make the victory of freedom ours. He believed such progress had been made as would put the United Kingdom beyond the real fear of scarcity, however severe might be the attack of the submarines.—Mr. Frothero.

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To encourage amateur potato growers to cultivate all land available The Daily Mirror is offering these prizes:—
First prize ... £500 | Fourth prize ... £25 Second prize 100 | Fifth prize ... 10 Third prize 50 | 13 prizes of ... 5 Game and Bullets.—The Ministry of Munitions is arranging for a special supply of lead for use as bullets for shooting grouse.

sailors swarmed up to attack us, but when they found themselves looking at the points of British bayonets they stopped. Our men charged and cleared the space.

"We then rushed to the first destroyer, into which we threw fifty bombs. The last we saw of her site was heavily on fire and sinking." The foremost guin's crew of the Vindictive were wiped out three times in succession by the fire from the enemy guns on the land.

"After setting on fire the destroyer we forced our way ashore at the point of the bayonet. We charged the gun's crew on shore and captured the gun's crew on shore and captured the gun's

"All around us we could hear, above the din and confusion of the cannonade, the cries and shrieks of the dying and wounded. It was horrible.

"When we got back on board the upper deck of the Vindictive presented a horrible sight. It was absolute chaos. The decks were slippery with blood, and all around lay dying and wounded, and their cries and shrieks were heartrending.

wounded, and their cires and sirieks were heartrending. "The capitain of the Vindictive was a fine sea-man. With the greatest skill he rancewred his ship and got her safely out under cover of another smoke screen. "As we steered down Channel for home we

were met at daybreak by the warship on which was Vice-Admiral Roger Keyes. The Admiral signalled to us, 'Well done, Vindictive,' and both crews cheered themselves hoarse as the ships passed each other at sea."

GERMAN OFFICIAL.

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BIGAMIST BARONET.

Hard Labour for Clergyman Who Said His Wife Was Dead.

At the Old Bailey yesterday the Rev. Sir Douglas Edward Scott, Bart., fifty-four, clerk in Holy Orders, pleaded guilty to bigamy and to charges of obtaining goods and money by false pretences, and was sentenced to eighteen months' hard labour.

Mr. Pereival Clarke, prosecuting, said that accused married the present Lady Scott in 1899. Five of six children were still living.

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accused married the pre-Five of six children were still living.

At Easter last year he went to the refresh-ment room at Reading Station, and told the assistant, Mrs. Wil-liams, that he loved

her. He said that his wife He said that his wife died two years ago.
On February 18 he married Mrs. Wil-



THE WAR CABINET.

M.P. Suggests "Men Who Understand War" Should Be Added to It.

Major Hunt, in the Commons yesterday, asked whether, as the War Cabinet did not contain any members with any practical knowledge of war by sea or land, the Premier would add Admiral Jellicoe and Sir William Robertson.

Mr. Bonar Law said the Government could not see its way to adopt the suggestion.

Major Hunt: What is the use of a War Cabinet and the work of the

FAMOUS FEATHERWEIGHTS MATCHED

The boxing match between Private Billy Fry

and Joe Conn, the two most famous feather-weights, will be decided at the Ring next Mon-day afternoon.

Fry is the feather-weight champion of Wales.
Conn has of late defeated everyone he has met.
In view of the special interest in the contest
The Daily Mirror will take exclusive photographs with the famous Daily Mirror lights.

MR. BILLING'S PLEA.

The case of Mr. Pemberton Billing, who is charged with criminally libelling Miss Maud Allan and Mr. J. T. Grein in a paper called the Vigitante at the Old Bailey yesterday was ad-

Thrilling Deeds of Three New Officer V.C.s.

PAID NO HEED TO WOUNDS.

No finer stories of endurance allied to splen

No finer stories of endurance allied to splendid bravery have been told during the war than those-in last night's supplement to the London Gazette, which announces the award of the Victoria Cross to three officers.

Wonderful endurance and courage mark the exploit of Captain Reginald Frederick Johnson Hayward, M.C., Wilts Regiment.

Although he was buried, wounded in the head, and rendered deaf on the first day of operations, and had his arm shattered two days later, he refused to leave his men even though he received a third serious injury to his head), until he collapsed from sheer exhaustion.

Captain Gordon Muriel Flowerdew, late asynadron destailed, when he command of a squadron destailed, while he led the remaining three troops to the charge.

The squadron passed over both lines, killing many of the enemy, and, wheeling about, galloped at them again. Although dangerously wounded in both thighs, he continued to cheer his men.

Captain (Acting Lieutenant-Colonel) John Stanhope Collings-Wells, D.S.O., late Bedfordshire Regiment, when the rearguard was almost surrounded, got a small body of volunteers and held the enemy for an hour and a half.

On another occasion, when twice wounded, he led the attack, refusing to leave, and was killed at the moment they gained their objective.

PAY THE PEERS.

Novel Plan for Reforming the House of Lords.

Lord Bryce's report on the reform of the House of Lords, issued yesterday, recommends that the Second Chamber shall consist of two sections.

One section shall consist of 246 persons elected by panels of members of the House of Commons, distributed in geographical groups, and money, distributed in geographical groups, and their number to be about one-fourth of the whole Second Chamber, excluding ex-officionembers.

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It is recommended that the term of office of a member of the Second Chamber shall be twelve years, one-third of the members shall retire every fourth year, and their places be filled by

Payment of members of the Second Chaml to be the same as for the House of Commons it is decided that they should be paid.

TO STOP PROFITEERING.

Offenders to Pay Double-Second Reading of Bill.

The new measures against profileers were announced last night in the Commons.

Mr. Clynes, moving the second reading of the Defence of the Realm (Food Profits) Bill said it would enable the Food Ministry not only to imprison and fine, but to make the offender a debtor to the Crown for double the amount he had secured by his evasions of the law of the Ministry were after the larger offenders. The Ministry were after the larger offenders and the first the Elion fine limit and simple months imprisonment were not enough. The Ministry imprisonment were not enough. The Ministry imprisonment prosecutions for profileering and secured 5,000 convictions. But a £100 fine was no use to a man whose improper profile ran to several thousands.

Mr. T. Lough attacked the Ministry for itself.

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Mr. T. Lough attacked the Ministry for itself profiteering. It had captured frozen meat, he was told, at 6 id. and sold it wholesale at 1s. Ri. It mixed its tea and it proposed to mix its cheese.

The Bill was read a second time.

REVISED VERSION OF AN OLD LIE.

"From papers found on American airmen," says an official German wireless message, "who were shot down it has been proved that for their own safety many of them crossed over on hospital ships certified as members of the American Ambulance Service in France."

The Secretary of the Admiralty's comment on this statement is that "in hospital ship, British or American, has ever carried anybody but invalids and the necessary medical staff. Further, there are no hospital ships working the cross-Channel route. The whole statement is therefore a fabrication."

GENERAL TRENCHARD'S RESIGNATION

General Trenchard (said Mr. Bonar Law in Allan and Mr. J. T. Grein in a paper called the Vigitante at the Old Bailey yesterday was adjourned.

Defendant said that he intended to file a plea of justification and that he would like arrangements to be made for the trial to take place as soon as possible.

8,000 Prisoners in Turkey.—It was estimated that there were about 8,000 British prisoners in Turkey.—Lord Newton.

OLDER MEN.

Age Limit in First Group Fixed at Forty-Four.

MEN WHO ARE EXEMPT.

The Minister of National Service issued last night a statement as to the calling up for military service of the older men.

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Instructions are being issued to recruiting officials shift the necessary number of men of the new age are to be recruited in such a way as to avoid unnecessary disturbance in essential industries, provided an adequate flow of recruits can be obtained from among the younger men now exempted or protected.

Men exempted for the present are those engaged in one of the following occupations:
Agriculture, Government, constructional worked, and transport shipbuilding.

The protection afforded by the present list of certified occupations extends to men of the ages now made liable to military service if they are engaged in one of the occupations extends to men of the ages now made liable to military service if they are engaged in one of the occupations pecified.

The first group called up will include the menhounding for and 1876. The proteamation air mounting for and 1876. The proteamation in the issued at an early date.

No man will be called to report for service until after he has been medically examined.

For the time being men of the new military age will not be called up for service unless in Grade 2.

Particular-care will be taken by National Service representatives appearing before tribunals

SHIPPING LOSSES.

The Government, the Admiralty announced last night, propose to issue information as to the gross tonnage lost and the tonnage of sailings to and from the United Kingdom monthly in future.

The information now published weekly as to the numbers of vessels lost will be discontinued.

The tonnear leases for March, 1918, were British, 218,403 tens; Allied and Neutral, 195,928 one, a grand total of 38f,331 tens.

The totals for the first quarter of this year, ending March, were British, 627,576 tons; Allied and Neutral, 455,934 tons—a grand total of 1,123,510 tons for the quarter, or 395,893 tons.

The gross tonnage lesses for 1917 were. British, 40,09,337; Allied and Neutral, 2,613,885, making a grand total of 6,623,623 tons.

The United Kingdom sailings and arrivals, excluding coastwise and cross-Channel traffic, for March, 1918, were 7,295,000

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Subject to military exigencies, the corps to subject to military exigencies, the clider which the War Office propose to post the older when the world with the world with

(a) Combatant Service.—Home Defence Infantry and Garrison Battalions at home and abroad. Royal Field Artillery and Royal Garrison Artillery at home.

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(b) Auxiliary Services at home and abroad, such as Royal Army Medical Corps, Army Service Corps, e.g., motor and horse transport, remounts, supplies, etc. Army Ordnance Corps, Army Veterinary Corps, falland Water Transport and Dock, railway troops, roads and quarries. Such men will also be posted to the Air Force

OMNIBUS RUNS AMOK.

Brick Wall Ends Downhill Rush -Driver Found To Be Dead.

As an omnibus, carrying a large number of people from Golders Green to Hendom, was descending a steep slope it gathered a great speed, awerved and crashed into a brick wall. All the passengers on the top were precipitated into the road, and those inside were thrown into a heap and were covered with fragments of glass, for the omnibus toppled over on its side. "The driver was found to be dead, and it is suggested that he had a setuare while coming down the company of the company of

"he' conductress was seriously injured and enty-one other people were hurt,

NEWS ITEMS.

Lady Jellicoe III. Lady Jellicoe is seriously

Mr. Redmond's Will.—Mr. John Redmond, M.P., left £5,786

B. 2 Equals Grade II.—Men who have been placed in medical category B. 2 and have not been regraded are now Grade II.; C. 2 is still equivalent to Grade III.

Battle Pictures.—The successful exhibition of british battle photographs in colour at the trafton Galleries will close on Saturday next t 6 p.m.

to p.in.

Paris Raid Fails.—An air raid warning was iven in Paris at 12.5 a.m. yesterday, but no aiders reached the city, and one was brought own east of Meaux.—Exchange.

the Strawberry Plants I.—At a meeting of Hal-stead Pood Committee yesterday it was stated that one woman who applied for sugar for jam-making had only two strawberry plants in her garden.

CERMANS BEGIN ANOTHER THRUST FOR AMIEN

Big Battle Begins After Shelling from Albert to South of Somme.

STRONG INFANTRY ATTACKS IN TWO AREAS

Heavy German Bombardment Between Givenchy and Robecg-Concentrations Near Merville Dispersed.

BRITISH OFFICIAL.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, FRANCE, Wednesday. 11.5 A.M.—Hostile artillery activity increased yesterday afternoon and evening on the greater part of the British front, particularly in the Somme and the Ancre sectors, in the valley of the Scarpe, and in the

sectors north of Bethune and north and north-east of Bailleul.

At dusk hostile infantry left their trenches to attack north-west of Albert, but were met with heavy rifle and machine-gun fire and driven

Strong hostile attacks developed also in the late evening in the neighbourhood of Dranoutre and were repulsed by French troops after sharp fighting. French and British artillery inflicted severe loss on the enemy.

During the night the activity of the enemy's artillery continued, and at an early hour this morning a heavy bombard-ment was opened along practically the whole British front from north of Albert to our junction with the French south of the

Strong infantry attacks are reported to be in progress in the Albert sector and between the Somme and the Avre River.

Heavy hostile shelling is reported to have taken place also early this morning between Givenchy and Robecq.

Concentrations of hostile infantry in the neighbourhood of Merville

were dispersed by our artillery.

HANGARD AND VILLERS DUTCH NOT TO BE BULLIED BY GERMANY. HEAVILY SHELLED.

Energetic French Reply to Bombardment of Extreme Violence.

Wednesday Afternoon.—Between the Somme and the Avre the hostile bombardment during the night assumed a character of extreme violence on the Franco-British front, notably in the region of Villers Bretonneux and Hangard-en-Santerre.
Our artillery energetically replied to enemy

Wood our patrols brought back some prisoners.

ATTACK AT 3.40 A.M.

CORRESPONDENTS' HEADQUARTERS, BRITISH ARMY, FRANCE, Wednesday.—There are more definite signs this morning than for some days past that the enemy is boiling up towards a new phase in his offensive.

At about 5-40 this morning å very heavy bombardment broke out against our right, extending well down into the Somme area.

As a result of the little operation east of Robecq we have pinched out the awkward little salient that the enemy had pushed into our line and taken over 120 présoners and some machine guns.—Reuter's Special.

"THE YSER MUST BE HELD."

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The Chief of the Belgian Staff, General Gilain, in the name of the King, has addressed to the troops a proclamation stating:

"Soldiers, in October, 1914, the King told you... 'It rests with you to sustain the reputation of your arms with the courage and tenacity of which you have already given so many proofs. Our national honour is at stake."

"You answered this appeal of your King. The study his process of the study his process on the Year which have, done so much for the glory of the Belgian name. You have preserved intact all these positions, where the King placed you, from the sea to the north of Ypres.

"Soldiers. The King trusts you. You will show yourselves worthy of your brothers whose indomitable resistance under the yoke of the invader fills the whole world with admiration.

"The Yser must remain an unconquerable obstacle gainsts which all the enemy's assaults will be broken."—Reuter.

THE GALLANT FOURTH!

The Commander-in-Chief has requested the The Commander-in-Chief has requested the Army Commander to convey his congratulations to the general officer commanding and all ranks of the Fourth Division on the successful operations earried out by them on the 14th, 15th and 18th inst, and on the way in which they have succeeded in advancing their line.

Talk of Further Pressure by Berlin on Sand Question.

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The Hagur, Wednesday.—According to the latest information the situation of Holland is regarded rather pessimistically. Leappears that teermany absolutely stands by her claims to the transit of sand and gravel via the Rhine.

The Dutch Government in the first place requires permission for a Dutch Commission to proceed to Belgium and also the military areas in order to survey the position and control the use of the material.

Germany, however, refuses to allow this Commission to enter the military zone, and there, for the moment, the matter rests.

Germany ressure, but it is not timpossible, in the event of Holland not returning a definite reply or making counter-proposals, that Germany will send a kind of ultimatum by asking for a definite reply by a specified date.

The Hagur, (received yesterday).—According to a rumour which had reached Rotterdam, the German garrisons along the Dutch German frontier are to be reinforced, especially at The Hague correspondent of the Handelsbiad says the situation contains no immediate menace, but he considers that the situation

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URGENT QUESTIONS" FOR THE AUSTRIANS.

All Archdukes Summoned to Important Conference in Vienna.

moned all the Australa Archaduses to meet at Vienna to discuss what are described as "urgent. Questions."

Many Archadukes have already arrived in the Austrian capital. Great importance is attached in Austria to the meeting, which will be presided over by the Archaduke Engene.—Exchange. The Archaduke Archaduke Engene.—Exchange.

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Australman (received vesterday).—The military critic of the Neue Freie Presse, of Vienna, writes, according to a Vienna telegram to the Dutch Press.—

"From the strategical point of view it is necessary for Austria-Hungary to take the offensive now that Italian troops have been sent to strengthen the armies on the western front."—Reuter.



KNIGHTHOOD FOR MAN WHO COMMANDED RAID.

Commander of the Vindictive Promoted to Captain.

The King has signified his approval of the promotion of Acting Vice-Admiral Roger J. B. Keyes, C.B., C.M.G., M.V.O., D.S.O., to be a Member of the Second Class, or Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath (Military Division), in recognition of his distinguished service in command of the operations against Zeebrugge and Ostend on Tuesday. The Board of Admirally have approved the promotion of Commander (Acting Captain) Alfred F. B. Carpenter, R.N., to captain, to date April 23, 1918, in recognition of his services in command of H.M.S. Vindictive, on the same occasion.

BERLIN'S FUNNY STORY OF ZEEBRUGGE RAID.

"Cruisers Were Sunk"_" Harbour Works Quite Undamaged."

CERMAN OFFICIAL.

During the night of April 22-25 an enterprise of the British naval forces against our Flauders bases conceived on a large scale and planned. After a violent bombardment from the scan small cruisers, escorted by numerous destroyers and motor-boats, under cover of a thick veil of artificial fog, pushed forward near Ostend and Zeebrugge to quite near the coast, with the intention of destroying the locks and harbour works there.

According to the statements of prisoners, a detachment of four companies of the Koyal Marines was to occupy the Mole of Zeebrugge by a coup de main, in order to destroy all the couple of the couple

HUNS, NEW SHELLS

Mr. Gilbert, in the House of Commons yesterday, asked the Under-Secretary for War whether he could say that the enemy was using any new kind of explosive or chemical shell or bomb, and if he could make any statement as to the name of the could make any statement as to the name of the could make any statement as to the name of the could make any statement as to the name of the could make any statement as to the could be cou

HOW BRITISH MAR STORMED ZEEBRUGGE.

Amazing Deeds - German Warships Boarded.

SHORE GUNS DESTROYED.

A large number of men, including Royal Marines, who took part in Tuesday's raid on Zeebrugge and Ostend have landed at a

They were given a rousing welcome by the inhabitants.

the inhabitants.

Most of them nore unmistakable signs of having had a hot time, and some of them were completely exhausted.

One young marine gave a thrilling story of his experience.

"I volunteered for this particular job," he said, "because I have lost two brothers at the

"I volunteered for this particular you, assaid, "because I have lost two brothers at the front in the last six months, and I wanted to get my own back.
"But I don't want to go through that lot again. It was hell while it lasted.
"I was in the party that was told off to attack Zeabrunge.

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Seebas as he he party that was told off to attack zeebas as the party that was told off to attack zeebas as the party has a seebas as the party and the place which we had every reason to believe that we had caught the enemy napping.

"As we steamed into the harbour the place suddenly became alight with star shells.

"Then the fun started, Ahead of us we saw a large German destroyer evidently in the act of getting under way. We rushed at her full speed, rammed her and cut her in half, and she sank.

We then secered alongside the mole, and as pushed on to the mole.

"It was raining hard. Our storming party made a lunge at our nearest man. But before he could do anything our captain knocked him down with his truncheon and killed him

DESTROYERS BOARDED.

obstrovers Ecardet.

"On the other side of the mole was another German destroyer.

"This vessel we destroyed, knocking on the head all the men who opposed us.

"Then we got the order to charge, and as we rushed along the mole we bayoneted and shot all men we came across.

"We were then fairly mad and in high glee.
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"Out in the harbour we could hear and see fighting, and when we got back on board I heard that some of our attacking parties actually boarded some German destroyers in the harbour, taking their crews so completely by surprise that they had no time to get their deck guester of the state of the seed and only half awake, they were knocked on the head and tumbled back again.

"On shore we destroyed and dismantled all the guns we came across.

"When we got back on board and steamed out of harbour we passed over the destroyer we had cut down are enter and and steamed out of harbour we passed over the destroyer we had cut down are enter and and steamed out of harbour we passed over the destroyer we had cut down are enter and and steamed out of harbour we passed over the destroyer we had cut down are enter and and steamed out of harbour we passed over the destroyer we had cut down are enter as a raped clear."

It was stated; says a Press Association correspondent, that the Union Jack was left flying on the mole!

THE VINDICTIVE'S RETURN

When the old Vindictive returned from the Zeebrugge raid the men of the Fleet manned shall be theered her as she passed streaked with white where he high explosives streaked with white where the high explosives at the control of th

streaked with with what she ever got back. Six The marvel is that she ever got back. Six lorry loads of the men from the concrete ships were driven down the sea front and received cheers from the people. They showed signs of their overnight experi-ence but they were full of spirits and were

GENERAL TRENCHARD.

In reply to a question by Major Sir John Simon, Mr. Bonar Law in the Commons yesterday said that General Trenchard tendered his resignation of March 19 to the Sacretary of State for the Air Force, who on April 10 and 12 brought the matter before the War Cabinet, The Secretary of State intimated on April 12 to General Trenchard that he accepted his resigna-

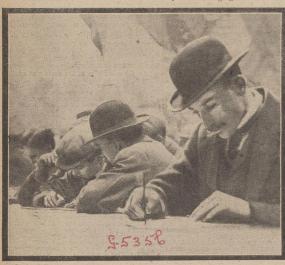
In reply to Major Sir John Simon, who asked whether between the date of the offer and the acceptance of his resignation any member of the Government saw General Trenchard and discussed with him the difficulties of his position, Mr. Bonar Law said the answer was in the negative.

VERSAILLES DECISIONS.

PARIS, Wednesday.—According to the Figure and Gaulois, important decisions will be taken at the meetings of the Inter-Ally War Council at Versailles this week.—Reuter.

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The busiest street in Dublin deserted by all but lounging idlers.



The only occupation of the strikers was the signing of the Maynooth pledge.

The effect of the "down-tools" protest against conscription in Ireland was extraordinary.

The every-day machinery of business and social life was absolutely stopped.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)

PORTRAITS OF NOTABLE—



Gunner E. Lewis has been awarded the Belgian Military Medal for exceptionally distinguished service with his battery.



Miss Phyllis Boyd, daughter of Lady Lilian Boyd, who is seriously ill. She is an artist of considerable reputation.



Lieut. E. D. Dent, Irish Guards, killed in action close to the village where he was dangerously wounded in 1915



Belgian soldiers saluting a wounded comrade who is being carried from the front-line trench to the nearest dressing station.



KILLED,—Major and Squadron-Commander Cuthbert Roger Rawdon, M.C., Worcester Regiment and R.A.F., who has been killed while flying in Essex.

OFFICER PMARRIED, IN MUFTI.



Lieutenant W. Vivian Wakefield leaving St. George's, Hanover-square, London, with his bride, née Miss Madeline Watts, after their wedding yeserday.



AN ENGAGEMENT.—Sir Thomas Pink and Miss Minnie Jane Davis, second daughter of the late Mr. G. B. Davis, A.I.M.E., M.R.San.I.

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CANTEEN CHIEF. — The latest portrait of Viscountes Massereene and Ferrard, who commands the canteen section of the Women's Legion.

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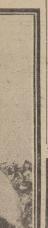
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SCOTTISH NURSES LEAVE FOR OVERSEAS WAR DUTY.



Mrs. Austen (passport secretary), giving their passports to nurses of the Scottish Women's Hospital, who are just about to leave for special war service abroad.

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PEOPLE IN TO-DAY'S NEWS



Lady Owsley Rowley daughter of the Earl o Dundonald and wife of Mr Owsley Rowley. An arden war worker.



Lieut. Edward Denman Clarke, R.A.F., awarded the M.C. for conspicuous gallantry. He has shot down five enemy machines.



British "Tommies" rescuing a bed-ridden old man who has been left behind in a village under German shell fire.—(Official photograph.)

WAR WEDDING AT CAMBRIDGE.



Second Lieutenant Walter Stubbings, D.C.M., with his bride, Miss Evelyn Louise Porter, married at St. Andrew's the Great, Cambridge.



MARRIED.—Major the Hon. Donald Forbes, M.V.O., D.S.O., son of the late Earl of Granard, and Miss Doreen Lawson, married yesterday.



Capt. C. W. Wise, R.A.F., the well-known oarsman, awarded the Legion of Honour by the French President.

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Making steel stretchers for contracted limbs with oxy-acetylene apparatus.



Splints, etc., being made from broken aeroplane struts and propeller blades.

Soldiers who have been badly "broken in the wars" are doing great work at the Military Orthopædic Hospital. They are becoming experts in making surgical appliances.

THE LONG AND SHORT OF RECRUITING EFFORT IN THE U.S.A.



"Captain" George Anger, the Barnum and Bailey giant, with two miniature aides, does first-class work recruiting men for the American marine services in New York.

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THE BATTLE BEGINS AGAIN.

VESTERDAY'S news from the front shows us that the great battle is beginning again; and the battle is all that When we get a lull in operations the world quickly takes to a discussion of subordinate issues. Then it is dragged back, by the sound of the guns, to the real

We have their onslaught still to repel. They have it still to attempt. "Our war aim is victory," M. Clemenceau has said. "The only sovereign remedy" for all that Germany has brought upon herself, says Germany's economic wiseacre, Herr Helfferich, is "victory." They are still determined. Hindenburg's offensive cannot end in anti-climax. We are equally firm. That provides a prospect of a further fierce struggle in the next few weeks.

There has been recent talk of a "wave of pessimism" in Germany.

One could easily conceive of it. To remain at home, ill-nourished, watching the casualties, cannot be stimulating to civilians. A German expert has recently summed the figures. They near the five million, according to his on the whole optimistic survey, about four and a half million by the end of last year (1917). The optimist adds, however, that the German net losses in dead "ought scarcely to exceed one and a half million," contrasted with the "six million dead" in Russia. . . .

One sees him bowed over his figures, theoretical, professional, lightly estimating the enormous sum of human misery implicit in these calculations! The world has seen bandit wars, guerrilla wars, endless plun-der and confusion in war—all avoidable by exercise of a little common sense, not to speak of pity. It was reserved for the age of scientific progress and comprehensive thoroughness to show us the German expert estimating victory by a comparison of "net millions in dead."

Once racial insanity has reached a certain precipitous point, however, its Professors cease to be shocked. The insanity becomes their health. Do not let us imagine, therefore, that any shrinking but that of sheer exhaustion will hinder the Hindenburgs from adding figures to their "grand total" of 1917.

'Exhaustion' would make a difference? But that, too, is a relative term: in this war, it means mainly the inability to strike further offensive blows. Arrived at that stage, the enemy would, we presume, make shifty attempts (as before) to gain by talk what guns had failed to gain for him. The word of command for his incredibly sheepish multitude would be renewed talk of the skill of Germany in negotiation. Bismarckian precedents would be again exhibited—much worn, but always useful. And it would be said that Hindenburg's mercy and respect for life had induced him to desist.

That is being said even now to combat the "wave of pessimism" over Hinden-burg's slowness in the west. Much can be done with the argument in view of the casualty list just quoted. Almost we can foresee a time when German heroes will become easily popular by not doing things! But that time is remote.

Would it be much use to us if it came? We want, not the present heroes of Ger-many reformed and rational, but new heroes, and a new view of things in Germany. That cannot be until the present rulers who are impenitent have gone for ever—have followed those "grand totals" of the anonymous crowd they have destroyed. W. M.





PRINCESS MARY 21.

A Great Boom in Jewellery-The Domestic on a Visit.

THE KING'S only daughter will spend her twenty-first birthday at her parents' Berkshire home, which is Windsor Castle. Pretty Princess Mary is more popular every day, and has been taking upon her young shoulders many public duties of the social order, as well

D-DAY'S GOSSI

News and Views About Men, Women, and Affairs in General

Downtrodden Wales.—It is practically certain that Wales will have Home Rule under a Federal system when the war is over. Mr. Lloyd George, his intimate friends say, is in full sympathy with the idea, and sees that the time for putting it into operation is near

Ancient and Modern .- Shakespeare Day provoked some quaint essays from London school children. An unexpected sidelight is the Statement that "Shakespeare was the manager of the Globe Theatre and acted there. Marie Lohr is now the manager, because women are taking men's places."

Actor and Author .- Another child wrote

Cigarette Queues .- There have been oueues lately outside the shops of tobacconists who had the humanity not to raise their prices directly the Budget speech was out. The constables who regulated them must have thought that the old days of the margarine shortage bad even bear. had come back.

Naval and Military.—The names of two Vivians figure in recent dispatches. Lord Vivian, who is a major in the Yeomanry, is awarded the French Croix de Guerre, and Captain Gerald Vivian, R.N., Lord Swan-sea's nephew, is "mentioned."

Killeda. The Hon. Harold Lubbock, reported as having made the supreme sacrifice, is a son of the late Lord Avebury (better known as Sir John Lubbock) by his second marriage. He was a partner in Messrs. Coutts, and married a daughter of Mr. H. W. Exerter. M. P. iv 1914. Forster, M.P., in 1914.

Earl's Heir Wounded .- It is announced that the young Viscount Ednam is wounded. This Hussar heutenant is the eldest son of Lord Dudley. The Earl's other three sons, who are not yet old enough for the Army, include twins, born in 1907.

The Staff of Life .- Sir Herbert Parsons makes the sensible suggestion that nobody should have beer and bread at the same meal. Thus you could have your cereal in solid or liquid form, at pleasure. Sir Herbert has no bread when he drinks beer with a meal.

Cleric Postman .- A North London clergyman of my acquaintance—a man of seventy-six—delivers his own letters to his parishioners. He is the vicar of a populous district, and his round takes him the best part of from eight to ten in the mornings.

Literary Slump.—Among the things that do not flourish in war time literature is notable. A friend of mine, a really distinguished essayist, assures me that his earnings for 1917 were less than £130. "People nowadays have something more vital to think of," he says.

Canada at War.—A vivid glimpse at the work which the Canadian soldiers are doing is afforded by No. 4 of the Canadian War Pictorial. There are forty-six pages packed with official photographs, and there is a striking cover featuring the daring Canadian airman, Major Bishop, V.C., D.S.O.

New Earce.—I hear of interesting develop-ments at the Globe. Miss Marie Lohr designs to produce about the end of May a new farce by Mr. Robert Hichens. In it will be also Mr. Allan Aynesworth and Miss Lottie Venne.

The Author. Mr. Hichens has hitherto The Author.—Mr. Hickens has hitherto been represented on the stage by serious work, not to say gloomy. But that he is qualified as a writer of farce may be seen by those ad-mirable humoresques, "The Londoners" and "The Prophet of Berkeley-square."

Church and Stage. It is interesting Church and Stage.—It is interesting to learn that when Mr. Arthur Bourchier enacts Shylock at the "Old Vie" to-morrow night the Antonio will be the Rev. E. G. Gordon, vicar of .St. John's, Waterloo-road. Mr. Gordon played the same part with Mr. Bourchier years ago at Oxford, with the O.U.D.S.

Back Again.—After spending a considerable time in war work, Miss Eva Leonard-Boyne contemplates returning to the stage. She has not been seen in London since the days (or, rather, nights) of "The Rotters."

Our Rulers.—A friend of mine was obliged discharge lier cook, for reasons good, before





Mrs. J. P. Wilson, wife of a flight commander, and sister of the Hon. Mrs. Jackson.

A TYPE OF FEMININE SMOKER.



TO MIX PORT AND SMOKE IS A MINOR OFFENCE





We fear she is growing more common. She overdoes it terribly. Some women must either not smoke at all, or else be smoking all the time.—(By W. K. Haselden.)

as doing war work, especially such as apper-tains to a V.A.D.

The Zeebrugge Affair.-London was still The Zeebrugge Awair.—London was still thrilling vesterday over Admiral Keyes' brilliant exploits at Zeebrugge and Ostend. As further details filtered through the pride and joy in this great stroke grew and grew. People are now looking to the Navy to provide more glorious news before long.

A Fighting Family.—Admiral Sir Roger Keyes has military as well as naval connec-tions. He is a nephew of the late Field-Mar-shal Sir Henry Norman. One of his brothers was, until certain recent events, military attaché at Petrograd.

The Heir Arrives .- Sir Leonard Milburn, of the Household Cavalry, is rejoicing in the birth of an heir. The Northumberland baronet was married last year to Miss Joan Anson, of Catton Hall, Derbyshire.

Good for Cupid.—The threat of a luxury tax has been good for the jewellers. Young men hovering on the verge of an engagement are hurrying into it and buying the ring.

for his services in Mesopotamia. He has already gained a K.C.B. in this war. He saw his first fighting twenty years ago with the Malakand Expedition and was wounded twice in South Africa

New Lieutenant-General. - Major-General New Lieutenant-ueneran happy tentered de Beauvoir de Lisle, who gets a step in rank, has seen much fighting. He was with the mounted infantry in the Sudaji, and in South Africa was severely wounded. He was made K.C.B. during the present conflict.

War Prisoner's Wedding.—Mr. Bertie Hol-lander, son of the Countess Hollander, and well known as an amateur boxer and wrestler, marries Miss Hilda Everitt at St. James', Spanish-place, to-day. He was in Carlshad when the war broke out, and was detained for a while by the Austrian

Cunning.—Mr. Josef Holbrooke, the pianist and composer, showed me yesterday a picture postcard he had bought at the seaside. It bore the inscription 'Printed in Germany' but the last word was artfully obliterated by the top bar of a frame round the words "Buy War Bonds."

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THE RAMBLER.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

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JACK TREVOR, who says that he also loves her. He, however, introduces

He, however, introduces APRIL MOORE as his fiancée, and Betty, broken-hearted, goes to stay with a friend in London. Here she again meets April who asks for her friendship, and she also meets.

CHARLIE DAVON, with whom April is really in love. April takes her to a dressmaker with the intention of dressing her so as to become a laughing-stock, but Betty's good taste foils her scheme.

"SHE'LL GET THE MONEY!"

"I TELL you, April, I've got to have the money somehow! And the quicker you can manage it the better!" Charlie Davon paced up and down the private sitting room which April—always extravagant—had engaged in her hotel.

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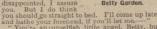
April looked up at him with an angry glance. "I'm sick of getting money for you, Charliestick of it! You've never paid me back that last fitty pounds I lent you. I'm sure Jack is sustained to the sure of the

He litted his hat up from the table and brushed an imaginary speek of dust from it before he added:—
"So this is good-bye! I never dreamt you'd adopt this tone with me, April—you always professed to care so much—
"You don't intend to ask Trevor for any more money, then?" He spoke with one hand on the door-knob, hesitating.
"Chartle, I can't! I hinted at it to-day, and he—he seemed annoyed—he's been pretty generous towards me—" There was an appealing note in April's voice, which Davon chose to ignore.

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A DINNER PARTY.

BETTY GORDON sat in Mrs. Carton's draw-ing-room, an anxious, worried look on her pretty-face. Her usually cheerful energetic little hoses was lying amid a pile of cushions on the sofa, a



for her, now. Thank you, All right. Good-bye." She replaced the telephone on its stand beside the sofa.

"Quite providential, this invitation!" Mrs. Carton heaved a little sight of relief. "You didn't mind my accepting at once, on your behalf, did you, Betty! You'll enjoy yourself all right."

"But who—who has asked me out to digs?"

"Your new friend, April Moore. Don't look so puzzled, Betty. The favour's going to don't look so puzzled, Betty. The favour's going to don't look so puzzled, Betty. The favour's going to don't look so puzzled, Betty. The favour's going to don't look so puzzled, Betty. The favour's going to dispense to the factor of the favour's going to dispense to the favour's going to desire the Restaurant Meurice. The other girl in the party can't turn up, or something. Couldn't quite can't what April said—that cooing voice of hers is hopeless on the telephone!"

"But—isn't it rather musual—an invitation at the eleventh hour!" Betty looked troubled.

"Not in the least, my dear. You won't need to talk to April, either. She's going to have a couple of mee men—the micest one for you, she says." Mrs. Carton smiled at the girl's per plexity. "It's nearly half-past seven now. I'll to the says of the series of the says of the series of the says of the series of the says of the s

Meurice, Betty could find no sign of April anywhere.

A tall, auburn haired man, with a small moustache, rose up in the bunge and leisurely strolled towards her.

"Delighted to meet you again, Miss Gordon." He bowed ingratiatingly. "I think you remember me? My name is Davon."

"You are looking for Miss Moore, I see," he went on calmly. "She has been called away for a few minutes, but will soon be back. She asked me to start dinner without her. Our table is engaged for us—will you come with me this way?"

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"Hadn't we—hadn't we better wait for her?" faltered Betty. She felt extraordinarily uncomfortable with this man. He shrugged his shoulders.
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Betty could demur no further, in common civility. She followed him downy the crowded restaurant into a shaded corner. The palms and plants and flowers reminded her unpleasantly of the alcove at the dance. With flushed cheeks she wondered if the man beside her guessed her thoughts, remembered what she had seen. But Charlie Davon's face bore not the slightest of the she had been been should be she had seen. He tried to recommend himself to the young sirl by means of fulsome compliments.
It was in the midst of one of his most flattering speeches that Betty gave a little cry of sheer astonishment.
"Why, look over there!" she cried. "Isn't that April sitting at the table with the pink candles? Don't you see her? She's got a man will be a she was a she w

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GIRL MECHANIC.—The motor-garl of to-day is nothing if not efficient. Here is one who does all her own running repairs.—She is here bringing a spare wheel into use.

FEATHERWEIGHT CONTEST







Joe Conn and Private Billy Fry, who will box at the Ring next Monday to decide who shall meet Tancy Lee for the feather-weight championship in the United Kingdom. The Daily Mirror will take exclusive pictures of the contest.

TWENTY-ONE.



A hitherto unpublished portrait of her Royal Highness Princess Mary, who celebrates her twenty-first birthday to-day.

WEDDING PARTY BOMBARDED.



Scouts and guides give a warm reception to Mr. A. Bullock, A.S.C., and a popular girl guide captain, Miss G. Symons, B.A., after their wedding.

FRENCH GENERAL DECORATES U.S. SOLDIERS.



General Philipot presenting the Croix de Guerre to American soldiers who have particularly distinguished themselves.—(French official:)



v.c.s widow.—The widow and daughter of the late Captain McReady Diarmid, V.C. Mrs. McReady Diarmid at Buckingham Palace received her husband's V.C. from the King.

STRANGE MOTOR-OMNIBUS ACCIDENT IN GOLDER'S GREEN ROAD.







The damaged omnibus being towed to the garage

The omnibus dashed into the garden entrance of a private residence, the conductress and seventeen passengers being injured. The cause is supposed to have been the sudden death of the driver.—(Daily Mirror, photographs.)